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The formation of the National Health Council marks an epoch in the advancement of public health in this country. By serving as an integrating force among autonomous, independent national health agencies, and by supporting and supplementing the duly constituted authorities, the field of usefulness of the council is far-reaching.

TWO YEARS OF FIGHTING VENEREAL DISEASES.¹

SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE AND THE STATE BOARDS OF HEALTH.

The United States Public Health Service, in cooperation with the various State boards of health, has made very material progress in organizing a program for combating venereal diseases. The following brief summary of the accomplishments of the Service and the State boards of health is furnished for the information of persons interested in this work.

1. Medical Measures.

Four hundred and twenty-seven clinics have been established. The organization of venereal disease clinics throughout the United States is one of the most important accomplishments of the program for combating venereal diseases.

Two million one hundred and three thousand nine hundred treatments have been given to 185,200 clinic patients. The cost per treatment in the most efficient clinics is less than \$1 per person. These clinics have discharged as noninfectious 41,100 patients.

Social workers follow up the infected patients in order to protect other persons. Through these social workers patients who stop treatment are persuaded to return until cured. Members of the families of the patients are brought to the clinic for examination and treatment.

Twenty-eight thousand druggists have helped in checking the sale of patent remedies.

In 16 States it is unlawful to sell such remedies.

Of 20,000 newspapers and magazines, 19,800 have agreed to take out or keep out advertisements of quack doctors.

Fifteen thousand placards have been posted. The placard attracts diseased persons to clinics and also has educational value.

Sixty thousand seven hundred physicians have pledged their cooperation.

Seventy-three thousand nine hundred manuals of treatment have been given to physicians.

¹ From the Division of Venereal Diseases, United States Public Health Service.

2. Educational Measures.

The "Keeping Fit" exhibit has been shown to 740,000 young men and boys. This exhibit is interesting enough for college men and simple enough for older boys not yet in high school, and has done much to establish high standards of vigorous manhood.

Exhibits and lantern slides, emphasizing the seriousness of the venereal menace and the importance of educational measures, have been shown to 13,000 audiences.

Motion pictures have been shown to 3,600 audiences, reaching 1,458,000 persons.

Various industries have purchased and used a million pieces of printed matter. Many firms have printed their own pamphlets.

Five thousand industrial establishments have undertaken venereal disease control.

More than 20,500 lectures have been held for business men's organizations, women's clubs, fraternal orders, and other organizations, and were attended by 3,306,000 persons.

Pamphlets to the number of 22,221,000 on the subject of venereal diseases and their control have been distributed.

Thirty-one conferences of educators have been held in order that sex education could be given in schools in case of failure to receive such instruction in the home.

Colored lecturers have held 600 meetings for colored people and have reached 145,000 persons.

Magazines and newspapers have cooperated. In one State full page advertisements were published in newspapers of nine cities.

3. Legal Measures.

Many houses of prostitution have been closed. (Particular attention is given to prostitutes because they constitute dangerous foci of infection.)

Men are now being prosecuted as well as women. (Men caught with women in an act of prostitution are equally guilty.)

Newspapers have supported venereal disease legislation proposed by State boards of health. Three hundred and fifty ordinances dealing with the control of venereal diseases have been passed.

Drastic measures are now taken to safeguard the public. Several States have quarantine houses in which to harbor persons with a venereal disease when necessary for the protection of the public health.

Mental tests of persons infected with venereal diseases have been extended through the agency of municipal and juvenile courts.

Thousands of dollars have been appropriated for institutions for the feeble-minded. These institutions will take care of persons who would inevitably become spreaders of venereal disease were they not adequately cared for.

Increasing numbers of social workers are being employed. More intelligent and effective handling of women infected with venereal disease is assured by the growth of social work.

Activities by States.

JULY 1, 1918, TO JUNE 30, 1920.

ALABAMA.

Alabama has been organizing a cooperative center for treatment and educational work in each of 55 counties of the State. In each center the State board of health instructs one physician regarding the proper technique for treating venereal diseases and provides him all clinic equipment, including arsphenamine. His charge is limited to \$2 or less per treatment.

Number of clinics.....	12
Patients treated.....	12, 892
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	12, 938
Gonorrhea.....	11, 012
Chancroid.....	654
Attendance at exhibits.....	34, 607
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	132, 182
Pamphlets distributed.....	441, 534

ARIZONA.

Three Arizona industrial organizations have used in one year 13,400 pamphlets, pay-envelope inclosures, and posters. In an intensive drive against venereal diseases, one corporation has reprinted and enlarged upon material issued by the Public Health Service, distributing pamphlets in Spanish to its Mexican employees, and establishing clinics for treatment.

Number of clinics.....	0
Patients treated.....	0
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	184
Gonorrhea.....	596
Chancroid.....	1
Attendance at exhibits.....	1, 432
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	2, 312
Pamphlets distributed.....	10, 948

ARKANSAS.

Special emphasis has been given to industrial work in Arkansas. The clinic at Hot Springs has admitted over 1,000 persons and given over 11,000 treatments. The State further has provided a prison farm for its delinquent women. Educators have held a State conference at Little Rock.

Number of clinics.....	4
Patients treated.....	2, 808
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 385
Gonorrhea.....	5, 125
Chancroid.....	575
Attendance at exhibits.....	21, 906
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	105, 172
Pamphlets distributed.....	179, 234

CALIFORNIA.

The California State Board of Health considers no clinic complete without a trained social worker. It bases this belief on the fact that of 5,000 new cases, the social workers brought in 1,800 to the clinics. They also persuaded 1,900 who had stopped treatment to return to the clinic until cured.

Number of clinics.....	24
Patients treated.....	6,870
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	6,243
Gonorrhea.....	7,021
Chancroid.....	0
Attendance at exhibits.....	32,360
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	123,931
Pamphlets distributed.....	298,898

COLORADO.

Seven new clinics were added during the second year to one clinic already in operation. The number of patients discharged as noninfectious was 590. Colorado is one of the 18 States which forbids infected persons to handle food. The legislature has provided a prison farm for delinquent girls.

Number of clinics.....	8
Patients treated.....	1,447
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2,297
Gonorrhea.....	6,226
Chancroid.....	341
Attendance at exhibits.....	6,765
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	176,569
Pamphlets distributed.....	157,807

CONNECTICUT.

More than 71,800 persons have attended the motion-picture exhibitions conducted by the State board of health, which has purchased five films. From its clinics, 1,240 patients have been discharged as noninfectious. Connecticut educators have held a conference at New Haven. The State has an active social hygiene society under competent leadership.

Number of clinics.....	9
Patients treated.....	2,046
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	3,729
Gonorrhea.....	2,911
Chancroid.....	43
Attendance at exhibits.....	9,072
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	195,560
Pamphlets distributed.....	177,607

DELAWARE.

Industrial plants of this State have distributed 16,400 pamphlets, pay-envelope slips, and shop posters. Delaware is one of the States which passed an injunction and abatement law as one means for closing disorderly houses. It requires health officers to investigate sources of infection.

Number of clinics.....	2
Patients treated (in one year).....	387
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	295
Gonorrhea.....	840
Chancroid.....	65
Attendance at exhibits.....	5, 142
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	25, 184
Pamphlets distributed.....	26, 182

FLORIDA.

In reaching the rural sections, Florida has established an ambulatory clinic, which can be transported by automobile or rail. In this way entire mill crews and other groups have had blood tests taken; and treatment has been given to those found to be infected in communities that never had such facilities before. Special lecturers have done intensive work among the colored population.

Number of clinics.....	12
Patients treated.....	5, 543
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	8, 423
Gonorrhea.....	7, 084
Chancroid.....	543
Attendance at exhibits.....	1, 568
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	79, 144
Pamphlets distributed.....	123, 416

GEORGIA.

Besides establishing venereal disease clinics in 7 cities, Georgia has provided in 142 other places for the free treatment of syphilis. The State laboratory has made 7,000 free Wassermann tests in a year. During the war, the State gave special instruction to 46,500 drafted men. Publicity work has included 42,000 columns of news about venereal disease control.

Number of clinics.....	7
Patients treated.....	11, 875
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	10, 574
Gonorrhea.....	11, 515
Chancroid.....	738
Attendance at exhibits.....	209, 229
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	236, 341
Pamphlets distributed.....	84, 304

IDAHO.

Plans have been made to reach the loggers and lumbermen through the Loyal Legion. During the war 11,600 special leaflets were distributed to drafted men. The last advertising quack was eliminated in the second year. Twelve exhibits have been in use, and the State has posted its own venereal disease placards.

Number of clinics.....	0
Patients treated.....	0
Venereal diseases reported (in one year):	
Syphilis.....	131
Gonorrhea.....	222
Chancroid.....	5

Attendance at exhibits.....	16, 048
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	2, 893
Pamphlets distributed.....	22, 683

INDIANA.

Educational work has been carried to 40 chautauquas, to teachers' institutes, to 400 farmers' institutes, to dairymen by pay check inclosures, to most retail merchants, to thousands of factory workers, and to all the public utilities. Lectures have been given to all labor unions, to fraternal organizations, and to 478 women's clubs. Township trustees and school boards, mayors, judges, ministers, and over 4,000 traveling men have been circularized. County health organizations have made extensive educational campaigns. The cities have passed 74 ordinances.

Number of clinics.....	18
Patients treated.....	9, 818
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	6, 308
Gonorrhea.....	9, 057
Chancroid.....	373
Attendance at exhibits.....	133, 105
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	135, 422
Pamphlets distributed.....	492, 573

ILLINOIS.

Illinois industries have cooperated extensively in educational work, as the result of personal visits by officers of the State board of health; they have used more than 50,000 pamphlets for employees. The State has shown the "Keeping Fit" exhibit to 21,500 working boys. Illinois has very complete report cards, history sheets, and other forms for obtaining data regarding venereal diseases.

Number of clinics.....	26
Patients treated.....	6, 575
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	18, 760
Gonorrhea.....	28, 292
Chancroid.....	1, 739
Attendance at exhibits.....	105, 024
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	140, 045
Pamphlets distributed.....	1, 155, 72

IOWA.

Iowa has applied its educational work to the State fair. Local communities have been largely meeting expenses for treating infected persons, and the clinics have averaged six treatments of arsphenamine for each patient with syphilis. Thirty-two thousand older boys have looked over the "Keeping Fit" exhibit. Educators held a conference at Des Moines.

Number of clinics.....	12
Patients treated.....	3, 404
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 009
Gonorrhea.....	4, 223
Chancroid.....	138
Attendance at exhibits.....	64, 028
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	255, 532
Pamphlets distributed.....	271, 228

KANSAS.

The Industrial Farm for Women at Lansing and the quarantine camp for men have received for treatment 248 women and 157 men, respectively, in one year. A thousand women have passed through the Industrial Farm since it opened. More than 2,000 patients have been discharged from Kansas clinics as noninfectious. The cities have passed 20 ordinances.

Number of clinics.....	7
Patients treated.....	4, 195
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 218
Gonorrhea.....	4, 323
Chancroid.....	90
Attendance at exhibits.....	14, 605
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	79, 979
Pamphlets distributed.....	204, 701

KENTUCKY.

The State Legislature of Kentucky has raised the age of consent for both sexes to 18 years and provided a farm for delinquent girls. A conference of educators was held in Louisville. In five cities, exhibits have been continuously shown in centers, such as the interurban station and the post office.

Number of clinics.....	21
Patients treated.....	7, 460
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	4, 212
Gonorrhea.....	4, 913
Chancroid.....	348
Attendance at exhibits.....	70, 417
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	73, 666
Pamphlets distributed.....	62, 808

LOUISIANA.

A full-page advertisement in one of New Orleans's leading newspapers, telling about the program of combating venereal diseases, is indicative of the vigorous manner in which the Louisiana State Board of Health has conducted its work. The State has also purchased six motion-picture films.

Number of clinics.....	4
Patients treated.....	5, 007
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	3, 810
Gonorrhea.....	7, 319
Chancroid.....	1, 161
Attendance at exhibits.....	29, 162
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	111, 191
Pamphlets distributed.....	268, 275

MAINE.

The active cooperation in venereal disease control work of many organizations, such as the State Federation of Women's Clubs and the Y. M. C. A., has greatly strengthened the main program. The associate director of the venereal-disease bureau is a registered nurse. The State has included in its distribution of pamphlets, 20,000 to men of the draft.

Number of clinics.....	5
Patients treated.....	423
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	1, 137
Gonorrhea.....	2, 105
Chancroid.....	43
Attendance at exhibits.....	158, 120
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	90, 012
Pamphlets distributed.....	331, 204

MARYLAND.

The legislature has passed an act to repress prostitution and disorderly houses in Baltimore, and such houses in other parts of the State have been closed. Maryland is one of the seven States that require reporting venereal diseases by name; and these reports increased 14 per cent the second year. A particularly active social hygiene society has been organized in the State.

Number of clinics.....	13
Patients treated (six clinics).....	3, 226
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 425
Gonorrhea.....	3, 944
Chancroid.....	597
Attendance at exhibits.....	1, 309
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	13, 134
Pamphlets distributed.....	118, 250

MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston's four clinics have given in one year nearly 73,000 treatments. All the clinics of the State have averaged seven doses of arsphenamine for each patient with syphilis. One hundred industrial firms cooperated in a special educational campaign. The "Keeping Fit" exhibit has been viewed by 87,000 older boys.

Number of clinics.....	18
Patients treated (in one year).....	6, 786
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	9, 358
Gonorrhea.....	20, 852
Chancroid.....	13
Attendance at exhibits.....	105, 378
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	219, 384
Pamphlets distributed.....	99, 086

MICHIGAN.

In many of the larger Michigan cities, local social hygiene committees have been established; and through these committees extensive educational work has been carried on. They have also assisted in the establishment of clinics. Lecturers from the State department of health have reached rural communities as well as urban. Physicians, druggists, and practically all organizations of the State have cooperated.

Number of clinics.....	11
Patients treated.....	23, 140
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	12, 129
Gonorrhea.....	18, 258
Chancroid.....	336

Attendance at exhibits.....	203, 090
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	164, 220
Pamphlets distributed.....	442, 110

MINNESOTA.

Minnesota was the first State to use an exhibit for girls. Such an exhibit, prepared from colored posters by the State board of health, has been used 11,960 times with an average of 200 girls at each showing. Educational work at the State fair has been particularly effective. Each syphilitic patient has averaged eight arsphenamine treatments at the clinics.

Number of clinics.....	5
Patients treated.....	2, 310
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	6, 842
Gonorrhea.....	9, 089
Chancroid.....	363
Attendance at exhibits.....	50, 250
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	171, 455
Pamphlets distributed.....	506, 994

MISSISSIPPI.

The State board of health has organized a social hygiene committee in each of the 39 counties of the State. On each committee is a leading woman citizen. The committees conduct lectures and use the venereal-disease exhibits, of which the State has purchased nearly a hundred.

Number of clinics.....	7
Patients treated.....	2, 750
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	1, 860
Gonorrhea.....	3, 661
Chancroid.....	265
Attendance at exhibits.....	27, 004
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	312, 995
Pamphlets distributed.....	334, 042

MISSOURI.

Manuals of treatment have been furnished by the State board of health to 2,300 physicians. The State board of health has used full-page newspaper advertisements to arouse the people of the State to a realization of the need for action. A conference of educators has been held at Kansas City, and an active social hygiene society has been organized.

Number of clinics.....	20
Patients treated.....	23, 509
Venereal diseases reported (in one year):	
Syphilis.....	3, 518
Gonorrhea.....	5, 718
Chancroid.....	702
Attendance at exhibits.....	29, 234
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	36, 184
Pamphlets distributed.....	265, 739

MONTANA.

The State board of health has sent a dozen exhibits through the counties. The "Keeping Fit" material, in charge of the State Y. M. C. A. secretary, has been examined by 4,800 boys. Besides 20,000 leaflets given drafted men, the educational work has been planned to reach lumbermen.

Number of clinics.....	3
Patients treated.....	467
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	922
Gonorrhea.....	2, 293
Chancroid.....	5
Attendance at exhibits.....	12, 161
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	40, 489
Pamphlets distributed.....	83, 792

NEBRASKA.

Five appeals were made by the State board of health to win the cooperation of physicians in reporting venereal diseases. As a result, the number of cases reported advanced considerably the second year, and the number of free Wassermann tests rose rapidly from 75 to 675 per month. State educators held a conference at Omaha.

Number of clinics.....	9
Patients treated.....	1, 496
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 405
Gonorrhea.....	5, 127
Chancroid.....	448
Attendance at exhibits.....	46, 334
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	61, 017
Pamphlets distributed.....	309, 912

NEVADA.

Nevada did not participate in the nation-wide program for combating venereal diseases during the period covered by this report, but qualified under the Chamberlain-Kahn Act for participation in this work in April, 1921.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

New Hampshire is one of the States with progressive law enforcement measures. They include an injunction and abatement act and an act authorizing the examination of all persons suspected of having a venereal disease. The reporting of venereal diseases by physicians has increased during the second year's work. The State board of health has posted its own venereal-disease placards in various public places.

Number of clinics.....	3
Patients treated.....	413
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	592
Gonorrhea.....	1, 115
Chancroid.....	25
Attendance at exhibits.....	1, 833
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	41, 426
Pamphlets distributed.....	38, 567

NEW JERSEY.

Large billboards, street-car advertising, lantern slides at motion-picture theaters, and newspaper advertisements are features of the publicity given to New Jersey clinics. Thousands of pamphlets have been used by industries; 17 exhibits and 6 motion pictures have been extensively shown. The law now makes it a misdemeanor for a person with venereal disease to marry.

Number of clinics.....	12
Patients treated.....	3, 914
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	6, 799
Gonorrhea.....	12, 269
Chancroid.....	802
Attendance at exhibits.....	33, 313
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	103, 431
Pamphlets distributed.....	643, 161

NEW YORK.

Cities in New York State have passed 88 venereal-disease control ordinances of various kinds. With the cooperation of 4,500 doctors, the reporting of venereal-disease cases by name has nearly doubled during the last year. The "Keeping Fit" exhibit has reached 102,700 young men and boys of the 15 to 20 year age group. The National Guard has placed stereomotorgraphs in various armories.

Number of clinics.....	79
Patients treated.....	10, 071
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	46, 634
Gonorrhea.....	13, 196
Chancroid.....	38
Attendance at exhibits.....	219, 087
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	288, 735
Pamphlets distributed.....	2, 023, 716

NEW MEXICO.

Education is the principal activity of the State board of health of New Mexico, established one year ago. If a patient exposes others to infection, his name is given to the local health officer, who may isolate him and post a quarantine placard on his house. Free arsphenamine has been given to indigents, and many penitentiary prisoners have received treatment.

Number of clinics.....	2
Patients treated (eight months).....	6
Venereal diseases reported (in one year):	
Syphilis.....	156
Gonorrhea.....	292
Chancroid.....	17
Attendance at exhibits.....	255
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	150
Pamphlets distributed.....	10, 560

NORTH CAROLINA.

Preparations were made for an experimental trip through small North Carolina towns with a "healthmobile" carrying motion pictures and exhibits. Promoted by brightly written bulletins, the "Keeping Fit" exhibit has been shown to 9,000 boys. Intensive work has been done among the colored population.

Number of clinics.....	11
Patients treated.....	4, 306
Veneral diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	3, 014
Gonorrhea.....	7, 998
Chancroid.....	1, 334
Attendance at exhibits.....	24, 307
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	121, 504
Pamphlets distributed.....	427, 322

NORTH DAKOTA.

North Dakota early passed vice-repressive and venereal disease control acts. Although the law requires the reporting of venereal diseases by name, the number of cases listed has increased during the second year. Six exhibits were sent around the State, and 13,000 leaflets, "Come Clean," were given the men of the draft.

Number of clinics.....	3
Patients treated.....	144
Veneral diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	364
Gonorrhea.....	1, 186
Chancroid.....	24
Attendance at exhibits.....	1, 132
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	12, 215
Pamphlets distributed.....	34, 674

OHIO.

Many large Ohio firms have used and enlarged upon the educational program for industries. Forty-eight thousand six hundred boys have seen the "Keeping Fit" exhibit. The clinics have given 152,800 treatments. The Ohio Women's Federation of Social Health has been organized to assist in the venereal disease work. Educators of the State have already held four conferences on sex education.

Number of clinics.....	25
Patients treated.....	11, 614
Veneral diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	15, 788
Gonorrhea.....	16, 433
Chancroid.....	822
Attendance at exhibits.....	55, 020
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	228, 233
Pamphlets distributed.....	1, 141, 574

OKLAHOMA.

Publicity has been secured in 160 Oklahoma newspapers, through full-page or smaller advertisements and weekly press bulletins prepared by a newspaper man. With the cooperation of a thousand pledged doctors, the reporting of infected persons during the second year leaped ahead. Venereal disease has been made a bar to marriage. Some 25,000 boys have seen the "Keeping Fit" exhibit.

Number of clinics.....	14
Patients treated.....	7, 647
Veneral diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	4, 163
Gonorrhea.....	6, 343
Chancroid.....	391

Attendance at exhibits.....	46, 979
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	50, 853
Pamphlets distributed.....	137, 909

OREGON.

The city of Portland has spent more than \$100,000 to maintain a detention home for persons with venereal diseases. Oregon has posted its own placards, and shown the "Keeping Fit" exhibit to 10,000 boys. During the war, talks were given to 23,200 men of the draft. The State social hygiene society has been especially active. It receives a State appropriation of \$12,500 per annum.

Number of clinics.....	2
Patients treated (in one year).....	440
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	756
Gonorrhea.....	2, 275
Chancroid.....	47
Attendance at exhibits.....	12, 086
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	173, 656
Pamphlets distributed.....	225, 015

PENNSYLVANIA.

Pennsylvania was the first State to quarantine a house for a venereal disease. Prostitutes are considered as foci of infection and are quarantined. State clinics treat them. Much educational work has been done in industries. Health and morals committees have been organized in 25 counties.

Number of clinics.....	104
Patients treated (in one year at 29 State clinics).....	7, 944
Venereal diseases reported (3 months only):	
Syphilis.....	1, 002
Gonorrhea.....	534
Chancroid.....	43
Attendance at exhibits.....	32, 076
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	26, 854
Pamphlets distributed.....	46, 427

RHODE ISLAND.

Cards giving addresses and office hours of clinics have been distributed throughout the State. Special social-hygiene instruction was given during the war to 14,000 drafted men. The legislature has passed an injunction and abatement act.

Number of clinics.....	6
Patients treated.....	1, 927
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 334
Gonorrhea.....	1, 110
Chancroid.....	32
Attendance at exhibits.....	3, 540
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	44, 295
Pamphlets distributed.....	62, 953

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Handbills showing the location of clinics have been widely distributed. The State Legislature appropriated \$63,000 for various kinds of venereal disease control work during 1920. A law has been passed authorizing the sanitary inspection of hotels, which enables the State board of health to prevent, in large measure, the use of hotels by prostitutes.

Number of clinics.....	8
Patients treated.....	12,701
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	9,589
Gonorrhea.....	8,830
Chancroid.....	1,049
Attendance at exhibits.....	42,958
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	18,480
Pamphlets distributed.....	233,064

SOUTH DAKOTA.

With the sending of 19 exhibits and 2 social hygiene motion pictures around the State, reporting of venereal diseases has increased rapidly. During the war the State sent out 15,600 copies of the leaflet "Come Clean" to its drafted men; and it has shown the "Keeping Fit" exhibit to 2,500 older boys.

Number of clinics.....	3
Patients treated.....	130
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	297
Gonorrhea.....	1,170
Chancroid.....	37
Attendance at exhibits.....	2,566
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	16,486
Pamphlets distributed.....	121,893

TENNESSEE.

One of the features of an intensive campaign among the Negroes in this State was a specially designed pamphlet distributed to 20,000 persons. Lectures and motion pictures were included in a drive against herb doctors and conjurers. Tennessee clinics gave 40,500 treatments last year. The work has been largely supported by appropriations made by cities.

Number of clinics.....	7
Patients treated.....	3,567
Venereal diseases reported (in one year):	
Syphilis.....	2,655
Gonorrhea.....	3,702
Chancroid.....	536
Attendance at exhibits.....	19,822
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	20,144
Pamphlets distributed.....	75,175

TEXAS.

Texas has reached thousands with a full-page advertisement in the newspapers of nine large cities in the State. This State established 5 of the original 25 clinics. The Houston clinic alone has treated in one year 1,160 syphilitics. In all, the clinics

have given 36,800 doses of arsphenamine, and have discharged 4,500 persons as non-infectious.

Number of clinics.....	10
Patients treated.....	14, 253
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	16, 921
Gonorrhea.....	26, 616
Chancroid.....	3, 163
Attendance at exhibits.....	51, 949
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	47, 212
Pamphlets distributed.....	1, 556, 294

UTAH.

Utah is undertaking to extend facilities for venereal disease control to employees of all its railroads. The reporting of venereal diseases has increased during the second year. Its legislature has appropriated \$20,000 to build a prison farm for women. Educators have held a conference at Salt Lake City.

Number of clinics.....	5
Patients treated.....	698
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	806
Gonorrhea.....	1, 678
Chancroid.....	31
Attendance at exhibits.....	14, 864
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	16, 044
Pamphlets distributed.....	59, 144

VERMONT.

The Vermont Legislature has passed laws aimed at the repression of prostitution and barring marriage to individuals with venereal disease. The reporting by name of venereal infections has increased. The State has posted its own venereal disease placards in public places and worked with the "Keeping Fit" exhibit.

Number of clinics.....	2
Patients treated.....	170
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	581
Gonorrhea.....	1, 081
Chancroid.....	3
Attendance at exhibits.....	930
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	9, 414
Pamphlets distributed.....	990

VIRGINIA.

One \$5,000 industrial clinic installed by the Du Pont de Nemours Co. at their Hopewell powder plant is estimated by the company to have saved \$150,000 in increased efficiency. Virginia's clinics have discharged as no longer infectious 4,500 individuals, and given in one year 53,000 treatments. The educational work included the distribution of 50,000 pamphlets to drafted men.

Number of clinics.....	11
Patients treated.....	10, 099
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	3, 303
Gonorrhea.....	3, 402
Chancroid.....	419
Attendance at exhibits.....	1, 600
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	86, 553
Pamphlets distributed.....	571, 085

WASHINGTON.

Preventive work by the Washington State Board of Health has included the use by industries of several thousand pamphlets, the showing of five motion pictures, and the viewing of the "Keeping Fit" exhibit by 17,000 boys. The legislature has provided a prison farm for girls.

Number of clinics.....	4
Patients treated.....	871
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 076
Gonorrhea.....	5, 413
Chancroid.....	83
Attendance at exhibits.....	66, 462
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	40, 064
Pamphlets distributed.....	117, 924

WEST VIRGINIA.

This State believes in quarantine and has already isolated 187 cases. The number of venereal disease cases reported has increased one-fourth, with nearly 700 doctors now cooperating. A one-week training course was attended by over 50 physicians. The educators have held a conference at Wheeling. Venereal disease motion pictures have been shown to 49,000 persons.

Number of clinics.....	11
Patients treated.....	932
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	2, 382
Gonorrhea.....	8, 306
Chancroid.....	466
Attendance at exhibits.....	168, 099
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	97, 102
Pamphlets distributed.....	247, 431

WISCONSIN.

Preventive work by the Wisconsin State Board of Health has included the circulation of 4 motion pictures and 29 venereal disease exhibits. More than 22,000 leaflets were used by industrial firms; and 38,000 boys have seen the "Keeping Fit" exhibit. Educators have held two conferences on sex education at Milwaukee.

Number of clinics.....	11
Patients treated (in one year).....	336
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	716
Gonorrhea.....	3, 715
Chancroid.....	113

Attendance at exhibits.....	154, 638
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	96, 505
Pamphlets distributed.....	311, 813

WYOMING.

Wyoming has forced out of existence one of the most notorious red-light districts on the western frontier, with 87 registered women—57 being infected. With an appropriation of only \$3,000, Wyoming has developed a high-grade clinic, induced the majority of doctors to report cases, and quarantined 39 individuals.

Number of clinics.....	1
Patients treated (in one year).....	13
Venereal diseases reported:	
Syphilis.....	277
Gonorrhea.....	910
Chancroid.....	29
Attendance at exhibits.....	4, 975
Attendance at lectures and motion pictures.....	8, 800
Pamphlets distributed.....	15, 863

VITAL STATISTICS FOR GERMANY, 1913-1920, INCLUSIVE.

The accompanying table gives the marriage, birth, and death rates in Germany, per 1,000 inhabitants, for the years 1913 to 1920, inclusive. The figures are taken from the Statistische Reichsamt and were furnished by the economist consul of the United States Department of Commerce.

The death rate rose considerably during the war, and in 1920 was still slightly above the rate for 1913. The birth rate fell during the war, and in 1917 it was only about 50 per cent of the rate for 1913. In 1920 it was still slightly below the 1913 rate. The marriage rate also fell during the war period, but in 1920 it was almost double that for 1913.

Marriage, birth, and death rates in Germany, per thousand inhabitants, from 1913 to 1920, inclusive.

	1913	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920
Marriage.....	7.7	6.8	4.1	4.1	4.7	5.4	13.4	14.8
Birth.....	28.5	27.6	21.0	15.7	14.4	14.7	20.6	27.1
Death.....	15.8	19.9	22.0	19.7	20.8	25.1	16.1	16.3

PREVALENCE OF POLIOMYELITIS.

The following table gives the number of cases of poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis) reported to the Public Health Service by State health officers from May 29 to August 27, 1921, inclusive. These reports are preliminary and necessarily incomplete.